## DEFENSE CAREER INTERN PROGRAM: POSITION SUMMARY

The contract negotiator trainee program through the Defense Career Intern Program (DCIP) is designed to train, procure, and place civilians within the Air Force environment as Contract Negotiators. The program is locally funded and managed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Positions are filled at the GS-1102-7 or GS-1102-9 grade level with progression to the GS-1102-12 level. Contract negotiators are assigned to work with professional government contracting officers. DCIP offers a three to four year training program in which a trainee is provided opportunities to acquire contracting knowledge and experience in defense systems, operational, construction, automated data processing equipment, and research and development contract negotiation and administration. After a two-year training period, the DCIP trainee is converted onto a permanent position, but continues to receive training and automatic promotions until they reach the GS-1102-12 level. Any promotions beyond this level will be competitive.

For more information on DCIP, call Stel Kirbabas, (937) 255-9932 on Tuesday or Thursday; or click on **HOW TO APPLY** on our recruitment website; or log onto <a href="http://www.opm.gov/careerintern/index.htm">http://www.opm.gov/careerintern/index.htm</a>